



HOT TOPICS FROM THE TEVATRON

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The Tevatron Run-II began in March 2001. To date, both the CDF and DØ experiments have collected 1 fb^{-1} of data each. The results obtained from this data set were summarized at this conference in 39 parallel session presentations covering a wide range of topics. I summarize the most important of those results here and comment on some of the prospects for the future.

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1. Introduction

The Tevatron is a $p\bar{p}$ synchrotron collider at Fermilab operating at a center-of-mass energy of 1.96 TeV. There are two collision points each instrumented with a general purpose 4π detector (the CDF and DØ experiments). The first high statistics data ($\approx 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ per experiment) was collected in Run-I from 1990-1995 at $\sqrt{s} = 1.8 \text{ TeV}$ and culminated in the discovery of the top quark. The experiments and collider complex all then undertook major upgrades and Run-II began delivering steady data in about June 2001 with initial luminosities somewhat below the best luminosities achieved at the end of Run-I. Since then the accelerator performance has steadily improved. The data set collected by each experiment has doubled in size in each of the last 3 years and is expected to do so again in 2006. At the time of this conference each experiment had collected about 1000 pb^{-1} (or 1 fb^{-1}) of data and the majority of the results presented at this conference used this full data set. For comparison, the results shown at ICHEP04 were using about 200 pb^{-1} of data. Run-II is scheduled to last until the fall of 2009 and to deliver a total of $6\text{--}8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ of data to each experiment.

2. The Experiments

Interested readers can find more detailed descriptions of the CDF ¹ and DØ ² detectors in the references provided. Both are general purpose 4π detectors centered on the $p\bar{p}$ beamline and collision point, azimuthally and forward-backward symmetric. They both feature precision silicon vertex detectors at the smallest radii, charged-particle tracking at intermediate radii, a superconducting solenoid which together with the tracking detectors allows the determination of charged-particle momentum in the plane transverse to the beamline (p_T), calorimeters with electromagnetic and hadronic compartments, and finally, at the largest radii, muon chambers. While the Tevatron collision rate is about 2 MHz, only a small fraction of these collisions include high energy $p\bar{p}$ interactions. A multi-level on-line trigger is used to identify these high-energy interactions and data are recorded at a rate of about 100 Hz per experiment.

3. Physics Program

The Tevatron physics program is an extremely broad one, significantly contributing to the understanding of QCD, Electroweak, B-quark, and top-quark physics as well as significantly extending the sensitivities of searches for new physics arising from a wide

variety of models. So far in Run-II CDF and DØ have each published about 100 papers. In 2006 there was on average 1 Tevatron physics result published every six days. At this conference the Tevatron results were presented across 39 different parallel session talks³ and summarized across four different plenary talks⁴. Rather than attempt to summarize the full breadth of results, I concentrate here on those which are unique to the Tevatron physics program and which I consider the most important in terms of their impact. There are three: $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillation results, the top-quark mass determination, and the search for the Standard Model (SM) higgs boson. These are among the most important physics topics being addressed at Run-II and I briefly summarize the status of each in the following sections.

3.1. $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ Oscillations

In the SM B_s^0 (\bar{B}_s^0) mesons can change into their anti-particle \bar{B}_s^0 (B_s^0) via higher-order electroweak box diagrams. The rate at which these $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillations occur is proportional to the mass difference between the heavy and light flavor eigenstates, $\Delta m_s = m(B_s^H) - m(B_s^L)$. A precision determination of Δm_s would provide an important consistency check of the CKM quark-mixing matrix since $V_{ts} \sim \Delta m_s$.

The probability that a B_s^0 at proper time $t = 0$ decays as a \bar{B}_s^0 at some later time, t , is given by $P(mixed) = \frac{1}{2}\Gamma \exp^{-\Gamma t}(1 - \cos(\Delta m_s t))$, where $\frac{1}{\Gamma} = \tau$, the B_s^0 lifetime. The probability that the B_s^0 decays as a B_s^0 is similar, $P(unmixed) = \frac{1}{2}\Gamma \exp^{-\Gamma t}(1 + \cos(\Delta m_s t))$. Experimentally, Δm_s is extracted by constructing a time dependent asymmetry,

$$A(t) = \frac{N_+(t) - N_-(t)}{N_+(t) + N_-(t)} \quad (1)$$

where $N_{+(-)}(t)$ are the numbers of unmixed (mixed) events at time t and are related to

the above probability expressions. For a perfect detector the asymmetry is equivalent to a cosine curve of amplitude 1, $A(t) = \cos(\Delta m_s t)$. So Δm_s can be determined by fitting for the frequency of the resulting asymmetry curve. In reality, experimental limitations, efficiencies, and resolutions all act to partially washout the asymmetry resulting in an extremely challenging measurement.

To determine the asymmetry and measure Δm_s we need to determine 1) the flavor of the B_s meson at production (ie. whether it a B_s^0 or \bar{B}_s^0 at $t = 0$), 2) the flavor of the B_s meson at its decay, — by comparing the flavor at production and decay we can classify the event as mixed or unmixed — and 3) the proper decay time. Each of these is briefly discussed below. More detailed descriptions of these $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ mixing results can be found in Refs.⁵ and ⁶.

The analysis begins by first reconstructing samples of B_s meson decays. Both CDF and DØ use the semi-leptonic decays⁷ $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- e^+ \nu$, $D_s^- \mu^+ \nu$, with the D_s^- reconstructed through $D_s^- \rightarrow \Phi \pi^- \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^-$, $D_s^- \rightarrow K^* K^- \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- K^-$, and $D_s^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-$. Using 1 fb^{-1} of data DØ collected about 36,500 semi-leptonic decays mostly in the $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- \mu^+ \nu$, $D_s^- \rightarrow \Phi \pi^-$ channel. Using all the above decay channels and 1 fb^{-1} of data CDF collected about 37,000 semi-leptonic decays. The reconstructed D_s^- mass for the semileptonic channel is shown in Figs. 1 and 2 for DØ and CDF, respectively. CDF also reconstructs B_s decays in these fully-reconstructed hadronic channels, $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- \pi^+$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$ using all three of the D_s^- decays described above. In 1 fb^{-1} of data CDF collects about 3,600 fully-reconstructed hadronic decays. The mass distribution for these hadronic modes is shown in Fig. 3. In all channels the decay flavor is unambiguously determined from the charge of the associated D_s^\pm meson.

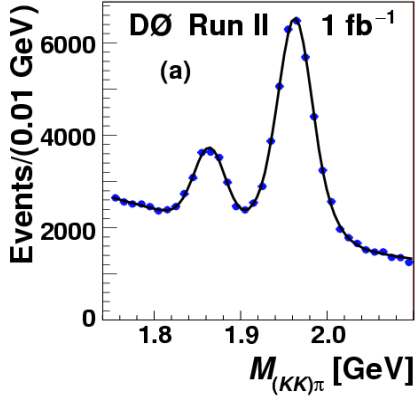


Fig. 1. The mass distribution for the D_s candidates in semi-leptonic B_s^0 decays from DØ.

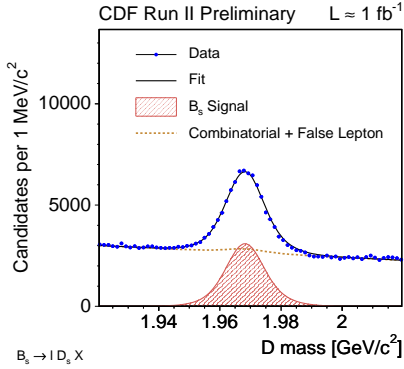


Fig. 2. The mass distributions for the D_s candidates in semi-leptonic B_s^0 decays from CDF.

The tracks used to reconstruct the final state B_s are constrained to originate from a common vertex and the proper time is determined as $t = M_{B_s} L_T / p_T^{B_s}$ where M_{B_s} is the world-average mass of the B_s meson, $p_T^{B_s}$ is the p_T of the reconstructed B_s^0 meson estimated from the associated tracks used to reconstruct the B_s^0 , and L_T is the distance from the primary $p\bar{p}$ vertex to the B_s^0 vertex projected along $p_T^{B_s}$. For the hadronic decays, since they're fully reconstructed, $p_T^{B_s} = p_T^{trk}$, while for the semi-leptonic decays, due to the missing neutrino, a correction is necessary, $p_T^{B_s} = p_T^{trk} / \kappa$. A detailed Monte Carlo is used to determine κ . In the analysis the

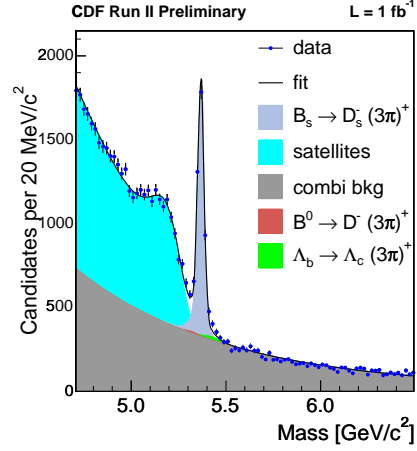


Fig. 3. The mass distribution for the fully reconstructed hadronic B_s^0 decays from CDF.

proper decay time is determined by integrating over κ so that the rms of the κ distribution effectively dilutes the proper time resolution of the semi-leptonic decays. By binning the semi-leptonic decays in lepton- D_s mass B_s candidates with little missing momentum carry more weight in the final fit since their κ distribution is quite narrow (and their proper time resolution much better). The average proper time resolution (at $t=0$) for hadronic decays is about 87 fs , while the average proper time resolution for semi-leptonic decays varies from about 100 fs for candidates with lepton- D_s mass equal to $5.2\text{ GeV}/c^2$ to about 200 fs for candidates with lepton- D_s mass equal to $3.0\text{ GeV}/c^2$.

The production flavor is determined for each candidate using a suite of “flavor tagging” algorithms. The effectiveness of the flavor taggers is characterized by the quantity ϵD^2 , where ϵ is the fraction of signal events with a tag and D is the dilution and is related to w , the probability that the tagger decision is wrong, by $D = 1 - 2w$. Opposite-side flavor taggers take advantage of the fact that at the Tevatron b -quarks are predominantly produced in $b\bar{b}$ pairs. Both CDF and DØ use lepton-charge (e and μ) and jet-charge opposite-side taggers. The performance of

these opposite-side taggers is determined using large data control samples of B^+ and B^0 mesons. The combined performance of all opposite-side taggers is $\epsilon D^2 = 1.5\%$ for CDF and 2.5% for DØ. CDF also employs same-side taggers, which infer the production flavor from the charge of associated fragmentation tracks near the reconstructed B_s^0 candidate. The performance of the same-side taggers is determined from a detailed Monte Carlo sample of B_s^0 mesons which has been extensively tuned using large data control samples of B^+ and B^0 decays. The performance of CDF's same-side tagger is $\epsilon D^2 = 3.5\%$, which, together with their opposite-side taggers gives them a total flavor-tagging performance of about $\epsilon D^2 = 5\%$.

An unbinned maximum likelihood fit is performed to search for $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillations. The likelihood combines mass, decay time, decay time resolution, and flavor tagging information event-by-event and includes components for signal and background contributions. Details can be found in Refs. ⁵, ⁸. A fit for the oscillation amplitude is performed as described in Ref. ⁹ and behaves as a Fourier transform. For an assumed value of Δm_s the oscillation amplitude is determined and a wide range scan of Δm_s is considered. These ‘‘amplitude scans’’ yield an amplitude of $A = 1$ at the true value of Δm_s and $A = 0$ otherwise.

At a given value of Δm_s the sensitivity is given by $\sqrt{N_B \epsilon D^2 / 2} \sqrt{\text{Purity}} e^{-(\Delta m_s \delta_t / 2)}$,

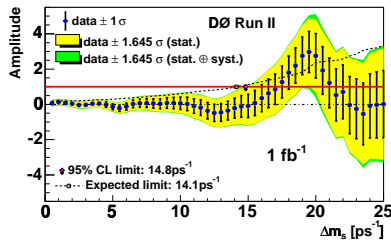


Fig. 4. The amplitude scan for the DØ $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillation analysis.

where N_B is the number of reconstructed B_s mesons, ϵD^2 is the total flavor-tagging performance, and δ_t is the proper time resolution. From this equation it's easy to understand that owing to the large sample size, the semi-leptonic decays are most important at small values of Δm_s (less than about 10 ps^{-1}), while the hadronic decays, owing to their superior proper decay time resolution, dominate the sensitivity at large values of Δm_s (greater than about 14 ps^{-1}). The sensitivity for a given experiment is characterized by the *expected* 95% C.L. lower limit on Δm_s . In January 2006 the World-combined sensitivity, excluding the CDF and DØ results described here, was 18 ps^{-1} . The sensitivity of the DØ analysis presented at this conference is 17 ps^{-1} alone. The sensitivity of the CDF analysis presented at this conference is 26 ps^{-1} alone. CDF's superior sensitivity is due to their use of fully reconstructed hadronic decays and their use of same-side flavor taggers.

The DØ amplitude scan is shown in Fig. 4. At $\Delta m_s \approx 19 \text{ ps}^{-1}$ the amplitude is consistent with one and deviates from zero. The probability that random tags could mimic a signal at least as significant is about 5%. They use this result to set a two-sided limit of $17 < \Delta m_s < 21 \text{ ps}^{-1}$ at 90% C.L. ⁵.

The CDF amplitude scan is shown in Fig. 5. At $\Delta m_s \approx 17 \text{ ps}^{-1}$ the ampli-

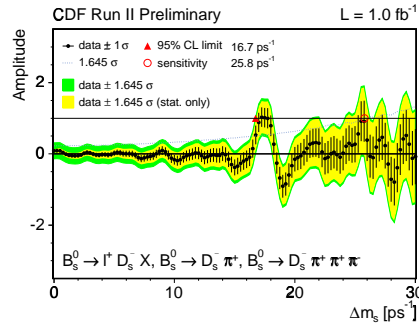


Fig. 5. The amplitude scan for the CDF $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillation analysis.

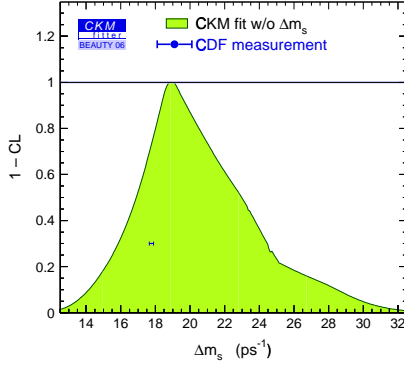


Fig. 6. A comparison of the measured Δm_s to the region allowed by the indirect constraints using the rest of the CKM inputs.

tude is consistent with one and deviates from zero. The probability that random tags could mimic a signal at least as significant is about 0.2%. Assuming this signal originates from real $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillations, they determine $\Delta m_s = 17.31^{+0.33}_{-0.18} \text{ (sta.)} \pm 0.07 \text{ (sys.) } ps^{-1}$ ⁶, which is compared to the indirect constraints on Δm_s using the rest of the CKM inputs in Fig. 6^{13,14}. This determination of Δm_s is limited by statistical uncertainties. This is used to derive the ratio $|V_{td}/V_{ts}| = \xi \sqrt{\frac{\Delta m_d M_{B_s}}{\Delta m_s M_{B_d}}}$, where $\Delta m_d = 0.505 \pm 0.005 \text{ } ps^{-1}$ ¹⁰, $\xi = 1.21^{+0.047}_{-0.035}$ ¹¹, and $M_{B_s}/M_{B_d} = 0.98390$ with negligible uncertainty¹². Using their measured value of Δm_s CDF finds $|V_{td}/V_{ts}| = 0.208^{+0.001}_{-0.002} \text{ (exp.) } ^{+0.008}_{-0.006} \text{ (theo.)}$. A comparison of this measurement with the indirect constraints from the rest of the CKM inputs is shown in Fig. 7^{13,14}. This determination is approximately five times more precise than the previous determination and is limited by the Lattice QCD uncertainties on ξ .

The CDF collaboration has recently reported an improved $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillation analysis which yields a signal significance in excess of 5σ ¹⁵. The measured value of Δm_s and resulting $|V_{td}/V_{ts}|$ are consistent with the values reported here.

A precision determination of Δm_s also

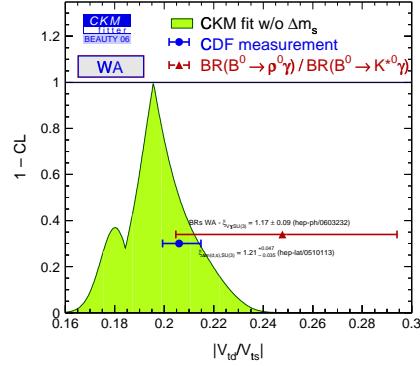


Fig. 7. A comparison of measurements of $|V_{td}/V_{ts}|$ to indirect constraints from the rest of the CKM inputs.

allows a probe of new physics by parameterizing $\Delta m_s = C_{NP} \Delta m_s^{SM}$ and fitting for C_{NP} , where Δm_s^{SM} is the Standard Model value for Δm_s . It's important to note that new physics can affect Δm_s such that C_{NP} can be either > 1 or < 1 . New physics can also affect the CP phase in the B_s sector and its contributions are parameterized as $\Phi_{B_s} = \Phi_{B_s}^{SM} + \Phi^{NP}$. For the B_s the SM predicted CP phase is only $\Phi_{B_s}^{SM} \sim 1^\circ$ (cf. $\Phi_{B_d}^{SM} \sim 20^\circ$), so even small new physics effects should readily manifest themselves. The DØ collaboration reported the first constraints on Φ_{B_s} by combining results from 3 analyses¹⁶ as shown in Fig. 8. Using CDF's Δm_s result, DØ's Φ_{B_s} result, and the indirect determination of Δm_s^{SM} from the rest of the CKM inputs yields constraints in the (C_{NP}, Φ^{NP}) plane as shown in Fig. 9¹⁷. All the measurements affecting these constraints are limited by statistical uncertainties and should continue to improve as CDF and DØ accumulate larger data sets.

3.2. Top-Quark Mass

A precision determination of the top-quark mass, M_t , is an important goal of the Run-II physics program. Since M_t is large, quantum loops involving the top quark are important to include when making SM pre-

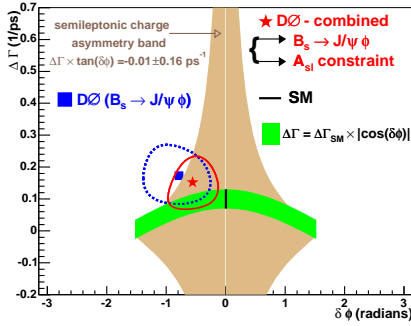


Fig. 8. Combined constraints on $\Delta\Gamma = \Gamma_H - \Gamma_L$ and Φ_{B_s} from DØ.

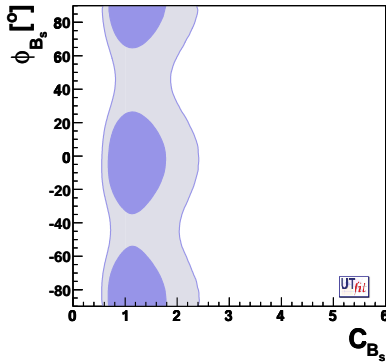


Fig. 9. Combined constraints on New Physics contributions to Δm_s and the CP phase Φ_{B_s} using CDF and DØ results. The dark (light) areas correspond to the 68 (95)% C.L. regions. The SM is at $(C_{NP}, \Phi_{B_s}) = (1, 1^\circ)$.

dictions of precision electroweak observables. Within the SM it's particularly important to help constrain the mass of the SM higgs boson, M_h . It's important to note that the top-quark mass is an important input for any model trying to describe high energy physics. For example, at tree level in the MSSM the lightest higgs mass is constrained to be less than the mass of the Z boson - which has been experimentally excluded. The MSSM is "saved" because loop corrections including the top quark and top squark raise the theoretical upper limit¹⁸ to about $135 \text{ GeV}/c^2$, which escapes the present experimental bounds. The magnitude of M_t also

impacts soft-SUSY breaking phenomenology and plays a critical role in verifying gauge unification through Renormalization Group Equations.

At the Tevatron top quarks are predominantly produced in $t\bar{t}$ pairs with a cross-section of approximately 7 pb . Since $M_t > M_b + M_W$ and since $V_{tb} \gg V_{ts}, V_{td}$, the top quark decays before it hadronizes with a branching ratio of $BR(t \rightarrow W^+b) \sim 100\%$ and the experimental final state is determined by the W decays. Both CDF and DØ have analyses sensitive to each of the three main final state topologies: dilepton, $t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu b \ell^- \bar{\nu} \bar{b}$, lepton-plus-jet, $t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell \nu qq' b \bar{b}$, and all-jets, $t\bar{t} \rightarrow qq' b qq' \bar{b}$. The main features of each of these channels is briefly discussed below. More details can be found in Ref.¹⁹.

The all-jets (AJT) topology is characterized by a six jet final state and arises when both W s decay hadronically, $W \rightarrow qq'$. The principal challenge facing this channel is the suppression of an enormous background from QCD multi-jet production. After all selection requirements, including the identification of both b -quark jets in the event using algorithms optimized for $t\bar{t} b$ -jets, about 200 $t\bar{t} \rightarrow qq' b qq' \bar{b}$ events are collected by each experiment in 1 fb^{-1} of data with a purity of about 30%. Since the final state is fully reconstructed for these events kinematic constraints can be employed in order to improve the per-event M_t resolution.

The lepton-plus-jets (LJT) topology arises when one of the W s decays hadronically and the other leptonically, $W \rightarrow \ell \nu$. Together with the two b -jets from the top-quark decays the W decay products produce a final state characterized by one high energy lepton, four jets, and missing momentum from the neutrino. After all selection requirements, including the identification of at least one b -jet in the event, about 230 $t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell \nu qq' b \bar{b}$ events are collected by each experiment in 1 fb^{-1} of data with a purity of about 90%. This is the "golden" channel

since it yields a large sample of $t\bar{t}$ events with small background and still affords the use of kinematic constraints in order to improve the M_t resolution.

The dilepton (DIL) topology arises when both W s decay leptonically and is characterized by two high energy leptons, two jets (both b -jets), and large missing momentum due to the two neutrinos. The branching ratio for this final state is about a factor of four smaller than the AJT and LJT topologies. However, the backgrounds can be kept acceptably low without having to require the explicit identification of the b -jets. After all selection criteria each experiment collects about 50 $t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu b \ell^- \bar{\nu} \bar{b}$ events in 1 fb^{-1} of data with a purity of about 65%. Owing to the two neutrinos in the final state, this topology is under constrained and the per-event M_t resolution is considerably poorer than for the other two channels.

The analysis methodology is basically the same for all channels and details can be found in these Refs.²⁰. After event selection kinematic constraints are applied to determine the best fit top mass per event. The constraints are applied either via a kinematic χ^2 -fit or more sophisticated matrix element calculations which integrate over initial state unknowns (e.g. parton distribution functions) and experimental resolutions (e.g. jet energies). An ambiguity arises when deciding how to assign the reconstructed jets to the underlying partons from the top-quark and W -boson decays. In addition, since at a hadron collider the initial state energy and momentum along the direction of the beamline are unknown, a quadratic ambiguity arises when solving the kinematic constraints for the neutrino momentum. Both of these sources of ambiguity give rise to a combinatoric background which is most (least) severe in the AJT (DIL) channel. For all channels the combinatoric background introduces no bias but does dilute the experimen-

tal resolution.

Both CDF and DØ have invested a significant effort in determining their absolute jet energy scale, see for example Ref.²¹. The resulting set of corrections account for non-uniformities and non-linearities in the calorimeter response, and for multiple-interaction, underlying-event, fragmentation and hadronization effects. The corrections are energy and polar-angle dependent and effectively map the detector level jet energy to the underlying parton energy. There are several sources of experimental and modeling uncertainty associated with the corrections. On average they contribute about a 2.5% uncertainty on the determination of M_t which is a dominant source of systematic uncertainty for both the DIL and AJT channels. Analyses in the LJT channel dramatically reduce this uncertainty by performing an *in situ* jet energy calibration by comparing the reconstructed $W \rightarrow qq'$ mass to the world-average M_W . This methodology should also be applicable to the AJT channel, although owing to the additional combinatoric and physics backgrounds present, has not yet been included. This is an important improvement to the methodology since the jet energy scale systematic is now expected to scale with the statistics of the sample for the full Run-II data set, whereas previously it was a systematic uncertainty expected to limit the ultimate precision on M_t .

At this conference CDF reported three new results using the full 1 fb^{-1} data set, one in each channel, and DØ reported an improved analysis result in the DIL channel. More details can be found in Ref.²². The CDF and DØ results from Run-I and Run-II are combined to form a world-average top-quark mass. The combination procedure is described in Ref.²³ and the result is summarized in Fig. 10. The world-average top-quark mass is $M_t = 171.4 \pm 1.2(\text{sta.}) \pm 1.7(\text{sys.}) \text{ GeV}/c^2$, corresponding to a total uncertainty of $2.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ and a fractional un-

certainty of 1.2%. Since the CDF and DØ sensitivities are very similar, this will be further reduced once the 1 fb^{-1} results from DØ are finalized and included. The ultimate sensitivity of the Tevatron M_t determination is expected to lie in the $< 1\%$ range, far exceeding the Run-II goal and comparable to the ultimate precision presently expected from the LHC experiments ²⁴. The limitation is a combination of systematic uncertainties associated with signal and background modeling correlated across channels and across experiments (e.g. ISR, FSR, fragmentation, and q^2 choice). It should be noted that these same uncertainties will also be correlated with the LHC measurements.

There are a couple important caveats which deserve mention here. The interpretation of what, exactly, is measured is complicated by theoretical ambiguities associated with the definition of the mass of a colored object. The cleanest theoretical definition requires a threshold scan of the production cross-section $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t})$ at an ILC. Strictly speaking, the M_t determined here corresponds to a definition specific to the Monte Carlo generators used to calibrate each analysis. These are taken to correspond to the top-quark pole mass, an approxima-

tion accurate at the level of $< 1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$, well below the present experimental uncertainty and therefore adequately accurate for the time being. However, as the experimental precision improves, additional work will be required to clarify and quantify the relevant theoretical ambiguities. A second important caveat is that systematic uncertainties arising from color-reconnection (CR) effects have not yet been included. While CR models were developed and included in Monte Carlo generators for the M_W measurements made at LEP II, these are not readily useful at a hadron collider since these models must also consistently include the effects of the color-flow from the underlying event (ie. the $p\bar{p}$ beam remnants) and multiple-interactions. Work is ongoing to provide such a model and the corresponding CR uncertainty will be quantified once they are available. It is important to note that both of these caveats also apply to the projected LHC determinations of the top-quark mass.

3.3. Search for the Higgs Boson

The CDF and DØ experiments both have vigorous programs searching for new physics arising from a wide array of models. Many of the latest results are summarized in Ref. ²⁵. I concentrate here on searches for the higgs boson which are discussed in more detail in Ref. ²⁶.

The higgs field is responsible for generating particle masses and arises in one form or another in many models. In the SM there is a single neutral higgs scalar, h , while SUSY models predict five higgs particles, the neutral h , H , A , and the charged H^\pm . The mass spectra of the SUSY higgs depends on the specifics of the SUSY-breaking parameters (e.g $\tan\beta$, m_0 , $m_{1/2}$, etc), but in MSSM scenarios the lowest lying higgs always has a mass $< 135 \text{ GeV}/c^2$. As mentioned in Sec. 3.2, in the SM, owing to quantum loop corrections to precision electroweak observ-

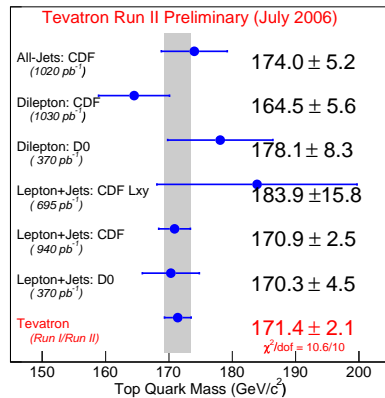


Fig. 10. A summary of the Run-II CDF and DØ M_t measurements used in the combination and the resulting world-average top-quark mass.

ables, precision M_W and M_t determinations can be used to indirectly constrain the higgs-boson mass, M_h . The present constraint is shown in Fig. 11 and indicates that a SM higgs is light ²⁷, where the Tevatron sensitivity is best and the LHC worst.

At the Tevatron the most important SM higgs production mechanisms are $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Wh$ and $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Zh$ at low mass ($M_h < 140 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ or so), where the branching ratio is dominated by $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ and $h \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$. At higher masses, where the decay $h \rightarrow W^+W^-$ begins to dominate, the $gg \rightarrow h$ process also becomes important. The experimental final states are driven by the W and Z decays. Practically, only the $W \rightarrow \ell\nu$, $Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$, and $Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$ decays significantly contribute to the search sensitivity since channels involving the hadronic W/Z decays have to compete with an overwhelming QCD multi-jet background. Although the relative branching ratios of $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$, $\tau^+\tau^-$, and W^+W^- differ in SUSY models (and again depend on the values of the SUSY-breaking parameters) for the most part the most important production mechanisms and final state decays overlap with the SM signatures.

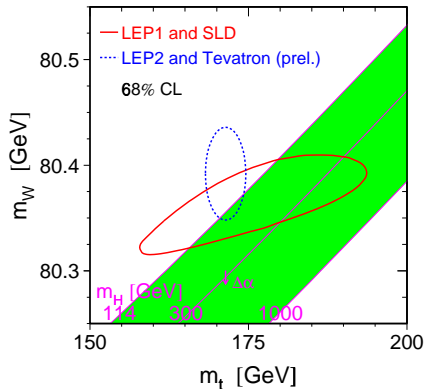


Fig. 11. The indirect constraint on M_h from direct determinations of M_W and M_t .

In the SM, the production cross-section is approximately $\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow Wh + Zh) = 100 - 300 \text{ fb}$ for $M_h = 140 - 110 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ and $\sigma(gg \rightarrow h) = 150 - 500 \text{ fb}$ for $M_h = 180 - 140 \text{ GeV}/c^2$. The SUSY production cross-sections again vary over the SUSY-breaking parameter space, but range from being as small as the SM cross-sections to being significantly larger for $\tan\beta > 30$ or so. Due to the SUSY cross-section enhancements CDF and DØ will each have sensitivity for a SUSY higgs boson for all $\tan\beta > 30$ and $m_A < 200 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ with only 4 fb^{-1} of data.

At this conference both experiments reported new results using the full 1 fb^{-1} data set. The DØ experiment reported new results using the $gg \rightarrow h \rightarrow W^+W^-$ and $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Wh \rightarrow WW^+W^-$ topologies important for $M_h > 140 \text{ GeV}/c^2$. The CDF experiment reported new results using the $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Wh \rightarrow Wb\bar{b}$, $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Zh \rightarrow Zb\bar{b}$ topologies important for $M_h < 140 \text{ GeV}/c^2$. A final result is obtained by combining about 15 separate CDF and DØ searches that cover all the experimental final states mentioned above. Details of the combination can be found in Ref. ²⁸. The resulting curve of the production cross-section at the 95% C.L. upper limit, normalized to the SM expected cross-section, as a function of M_h is shown in Fig. 12. Using only 1 fb^{-1} of data the Tevatron experiments are within a factor of about 7 of the SM at low mass and within a factor of about 3 at high mass. In addition to accumulating another factor of about 7 in data, each experiment expects to further improve the sensitivity of these searches by systematically including analysis improvements across all relevant search channels. Owing to the long lead times involved in properly including new algorithms into an analysis, several improvements have only been included in some of the channels so far. For example, by including improved lepton selections and multi-variate discriminants, the $Zh \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-b\bar{b}$ channel achieved an increase in sensitivity equivalent

to about a 6 times the luminosity. Both experiments are vigorously working to include these and other improvement in all channels. Both CDF and DØ together expect to ultimately reach the required sensitivity to allow a definitive statement about the existence of a SM higgs for all $M_h = 110 - 180 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ or so.

4. Conclusions

The Run-II program at the Fermilab Tevatron began in 2001 and since then has doubled the available data set to both the CDF and DØ experiments each year. It is set to again double the data set in each of the next two years and to deliver a total of $6-8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ per experiment. Most of the results reported at this conference used the full 1 fb^{-1} data set available at the time. The Run-II physics program is an extremely broad one, covering topics in QCD, Electroweak, Bottom- and Top-Quark Physics, and Searches for New Phenomena. CDF and DØ have so far each published about 100 physics papers describing these results, which were summarized in over 40 talks at this conference. This past year has been a very successful year for the Tevatron experiments. Highlights include the observation $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ os-

cillations and the precision determination of Δm_s , which significantly improve the CKM constraints in the $\rho - \eta$ plane by measuring the ratio $|V_{td}/V_{ts}|$. The uncertainty on the ratio and resulting CKM constraint is limited by Lattice QCD uncertainties, which are about a factor of 6 larger than the experimental uncertainties. Another highlight is the top-quark mass measurements, which determine M_t with a relative uncertainty of 1.2%, already meeting the Run-II goal. It is expected that ultimately the Tevatron will reach a precision of $< 1\%$ on the top-quark mass, comparable to present expectations for the LHC experiments. At that level of precision additional theoretical ambiguities must be addressed, which will be relevant at both the Tevatron and the LHC. Lastly, impressive progress has been made toward reaching the necessary sensitivity for SM higgs boson searches. Using 1 fb^{-1} of data, the Tevatron combined sensitivity is a factor of 3-7 away from the SM for all $M_h = 110 - 180 \text{ GeV}/c^2$. Both experiments are vigorously pursuing additional analysis improvements to further enhance the final sensitivity.

The Tevatron program expects to collect another factor of about seven in luminosity for each experiment. I'm confident the LHC will inherit from the Tevatron: a precision determination of Δm_s and significant constraints on the CP phase in the B_s sector, M_t ($\delta M_t < 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$) and M_W ($\delta M_W < 25 \text{ MeV}/c^2$) determinations with precisions comparable to those presently predicted for the LHC experiments, a more restricted parameter space for a wide variety of New Physics models, and (with a lot of hard work and some luck) a higgs mass.

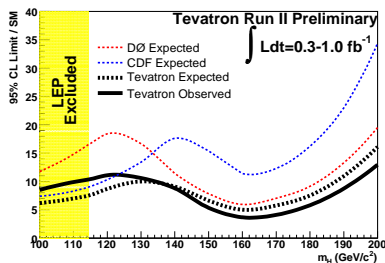


Fig. 12. The Tevatron combined 95% C.L. upper limit on the SM higgs production cross-section, normalized to the SM expected cross-section, as a function of higgs mass. Differences in the sensitivity of CDF and DØ as a function of M_h reflect the differing amounts of data included in the search channels relevant for a given mass range and are not due to any real difference in experimental sensitivity.

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